

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Application of: Walter D. BUIST  
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Entitled : SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR MESSAGE COMMUNICATION  
Examiner : Andrew J. Fischer  
Group Art Unit: 3621

**AMENDMENT REOPENING PROSECUTION IN RESPONSE TO  
JUNE 29, 2009 DECISION OF BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS**

Sir:

On June 29, 2009, the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences (“BPAI”) granted Applicant’s request for rehearing of the BPAI’s December 29, 2008 Decision in Appeal 2008-004102, designating its Decision a new ground of rejection under 37 C.F.R. § 41.50(b). Applicant hereby submits this Amendment, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 41.50(b)(1), to reopen prosecution. Applicant does not believe any fees are due with this Amendment, but authorizes charging any necessary LARGE ENTITY fees to Deposit Account No. 16-2500.

Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 11 of this paper.